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OREGON SPECTATOR.

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Of, Hope in [illegible] the Friend, and Success our Firm Determination.

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TERMS.

INVARIABLY IN ADVANCE.

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ADVERTISING.

[illegible]

POETRY.

The Down Hill of Life

[illegible]

About a dozen years ago,
[illegible] Michigan,
One R[illegible] H[illegible] I chanced to know,
[illegible]

[illegible]

Of [illegible]
[illegible]
Who had not seen him would have thought
He was the [illegible] H[illegible] town

His [illegible] he passed,
At Dobson's Inn which stood near by,
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

Within [illegible]
[illegible]
He [illegible]
[illegible]

He [illegible] and well
For some few days he kept the band
[illegible]
[illegible] and then the pond

[illegible]

[illegible]

How [illegible]
By [illegible]

[illegible]

THE LIFE HARP.

[illegible]

COL. BENTON'S HISTORY

[Extract from Col. Benton's "Thirty Years in the United States Senate," in course of publication]

Anno 1826.—Duel between Mr. Clay and Mr Randolph

It was Saturday, the first day of April, towards noon, the Senate not being that day in session, that Mr Randolph came to my room at Brown's hotel, and (without explaining the reason of the question) asked me if I was the blood relation of Mrs Clay? I answered that I was, and he immediately replied that that put an end to a request that he had wished to make of me, and then went on to tell me that he had just received a challenge from Mr Clay, had accepted it, and was ready to go out, and would apply to Col Tatnall to be his second. Before leaving he told me he would make my bosom the depository of a secret which he should commit to no other person, it was, that he did not intend to fire at Mr Clay. He told it to me because he wanted a witness to his intention, and did not mean to tell it to his second, or anybody else, and enjoined inviolable secrecy until the duel was over This was the first notice I had of the affair.

The meeting was absolute, and, according to the expectation of the principals, the meeting itself would be immediately, but their seconds, from the most laudable feelings, delayed it, with the hope to prevent it, and did keep it off a week, admitting me to a participation in the good work, as being already private to the affair and friendly to both parties. The challenge stated no specific ground of offence, specified no exceptionable words It was peremptory and general, for an unprovoked attack on his (Mr Clay's) character and it dispensed with explanations by alleging that the notoriety and indisputable existence of the injury superceded the necessity for them. Of course the challenge was bottomed on a report of the words spoken—a verbal report, the full daily publication of the debates having not then began—and was of a character greatly to exasperate Mr Clay. It is stated that in the course of the debate Mr Randolph said

That a letter from General Salazar, the Mexican Minister at Washington submitted by the Executive to the Senate, bore the ear mark of having been manufactured or forged by the Secretary of State and denounced the administration as a corrupt coalition between the puritan and blackleg, and added, at the same time, that he (Mr Randolph) held himself personally responsible for all that he had said."

This was the report to Mr Clay and upon which he gave the absolute challenge and received the absolute acceptance, which shut out all inquiry between the principals into the causes of the quarrel The seconds determined to open it and to attempt an accommodation, or a peaceful termination of the difficulty

All hope of accommodation having vanished the seconds proceeded to arrange for the duel The afternoon of Saturday, the 8th of April, was fixed upon for the time, the right bank of the Potomac, within the State of Virginia, above the Little Falls Bridge, was the place; pistols the weapons, distance ten paces, each party to be attended by two seconds and a surgeon, and myself at liberty to attend as a mutual friend. There was to be no [illegible]ing with pistols, and there was none, and the words—one—two—three —stop, after the word "fire" were, by agreement between the seconds, and for the humane purpose of reducing the result as near as possible to chance, to be given out in quick succession. The Virginia side of the Potomac was taken at the instance of Mr Randolph. He went out as a Virginia senator, refusing to compromise that character, and if he fell in defence of its rights, Virginia soil was to him the chosen ground to receive his blood. There was a statute of the State against duelling within her limits, but, as he merely went out to receive a fire without returning it, he deemed that no fighting, and consequently no breach of her statute This reason for choosing Virginia would only be explained to me as I alone was the depository of his secret. The week's delay that the seconds had contrived was about expiring. It was Friday evening, or rather night, when I went to see Mr Clay for the last time before the duel. There had been some alienation between us since the time of the Presidential election in the House of Representatives, and I wished to give evidence that there was nothing personal in it. The f[illegible] in the par-[illegible]

Saturday, the 8th of April—the day for the duel had come, and almost the hour. It was noon, and the meeting was to take place at 4½ o'clock I had gone to see Mr. Randolph before the hour and for a purpose; and, besides, it was so far on the way, as he lived half way to Georgetown, and we had to pass through that place to cross the Potomac into Virginia at the Little Falls bridge. I had heard nothing from him on the point of not returning the fire since the first communication to that effect, eight days before. I had no reason to doubt the steadiness of his determination, but I felt a desire to have some fresh assurance of it after so many days delay, and so near approach of the trying moment I knew it would not do to ask him the question—any question that would imply a doubt of his word. His sensitive feelings would be hurt and annoyed at it. So I fell upon a scheme to get at the inquiry with out seeming to make it I told him of my visit to Mr. Clay the night before—of the late sitting—the child sleeping—the unconscious tranquility of Mrs Clay; and added, I could not help reflecting how different all that might be the next night He understood me perfectly, and immediately said, with a quietude of look and expression which seemed to rebuke an unworthy doubt. "I shall do nothing to disturb the sleep of the child or the repose of the mother," and went on with his employment—his seconds being engaged in their preparations in a different room—which was making codicils to his will, all in the way of remembrance to friends, the bequests slight in value, but invaluable in tenderness of feeling and beauty of expression, and always appropriate to the receiver To Mr Macon he gave some English shillings, to keep the game when he played whist His name sake, John Randolph Bryan, then at school in Baltimore, and since married to his niece, was sent for to see him but sent off before the hour of going out, to save the boy from a possible shock at seeing him brought back.

He delivered to me a sealed paper which I was to open if he was killed—give back to him if he was not, also an open slip, which I was to read before I got to the ground This slip was a request to feel in his breeches pocket, if he was killed, and find so many pieces of gold—I believe nine—take three for myself, and give the same number to Tatnall and Hamilton each, to make seals to wear in remembrance of him We were all three at Mr. Randolph's lodgings then, and soon set out Mr Randolph and his seconds in a carriage, I following him on horseback.

The place was a thick forest, and the immediate spot a little depression, or basin in which the parties stood. The principals saluted each other courteously as they took their stands Col Tatnall had won the choice of position, which gave to Gen Jesup the delivery of the word They stood on a line east and west—a small stump just behind Mr Clay, a low gravelly bank rose just behind Mr Randolph The latter asked Gen Jesup to repeat the word as he would give it and while in the act of doing so, and Mr. Randolph adjusting the butt of his pistol to his hand, the muzzle pointing downwards it fired Instantly Mr Randolph turned to Col Tatnall and said "I protested against that hair trigger" Col Tatnall took blame to himself for having sprung the hair Mr Clay had not received his pistol. Mr Johnson, (Josiah,) one of his seconds, was carrying it to him, and still several steps from him This untimely fire, though clearly an accident, necessarily gave rise to some remarks and a species of inquiry, which was conducted with the utmost delicacy, but which, in itself, was of a nature to be inexpressibly painful to a gentleman's feelings Mr Clay stopped it with the generous remark that the fire was clearly an accident, and it was so unanimously declared Another pistol was immediately furnished; an exchange of shots took place, and happily, without effect upon the persons. Mr. Randolph's bullet struck the stump behind Mr. Clay, and Mr Clay's knocked up the earth and gravel behind Mr. Randolph, in a line with the level of his hips, both bullets having gone so true and close that it was a marvel how they missed The moment had come for me to interpose, I went in among the parties and offered my mediation, but nothing could be done. Mr Clay said, with that wave of the hand with which he was accustomed to put away a trifle, "*This is child's play,*" and required another fire. Mr. Randolph also demanded another fire. The seconds were directed to re load. While this was doing I prevailed on Mr. Randolph to walk away from his post, and renewed to him, more [illegible] than ever, my importunities to [illegible] some accommodation; but I found [him more d]etermined than I had ever seen [him, and] for the first time impatient and [illegible] yet, am dissatisfied at [illegible] was, indeed, an[illegible] The [illegible] the laws of his beloved State; and the annoyances he felt at these vexatious circumstances revived his original determination, and decided him irrevocably to carry it out

It was in this interval that he told me what he had heard since we parted, and to which he alluded when he spoke to me from the window of the carriage. It was to this effect That he had been informed by Col. Tatnall that it was proposed to give out the words with more deliberateness so as to prolong the time for taking aim. This information grated harshly upon his feelings It unsettled his purpose and brought his mind to the inquiry, (as he now told me and as I found it expressed in the note which he had immediately written in pencil to apprise me of his possible change) whether, under these circumstances, he might not disable his adversary? This note is so characteristic, and such an essential part of this affair that I here give its very words so far as relates to this point It ran thus

"Information received from Col Tatnall since I got into the carriage may induce me to change my mind of not returning Mr Clay's fire I seek not his death I would not have his blood upon my hands (it will not be upon my soul if shed in self defence) for the world He has determined by the use of a long preparatory caution by words to get time to kill me May I not, then disable him? Yes, if I please"

It has been seen by the statement of Gen Jesup, already given, that this "information" was a misapprehension that Mr Clay had not applied for a prolongation of time for the purpose of getting sure aim, but only to enable his unused hand long unused to firing a pistol to fire within the limited time that there was no prolongation in fact either granted or insisted upon, [illegible] was made [illegible] Gen Jesup having won the word he was having to repeat it to the way he was to give it out when his finger touched the hair trigger How unfortunate that I did not know of this at the time to speak to Gen Jesup, when one word from him could have set all right, and saved [illegible] risk incurred! This inquiry May I not disable him? was still on Mr Randolph's mind and dependent for its solution on the rising incidents of the moment, when the accidental fire of his pistol gave the turn to his feelings which solved the doubt But he declared to me that he had not aimed at the life of Mr Clay that he did not level as high as his knees—not higher than the knee band for it was no mercy to shoot a man in the knee, that his only object was to disable him and spoil his aim And then added, with a beauty of expression and a depth of feeling which no studied oratory can ever attain, and which I shall never forget, these impressive words "*I would not have seen him fall mortally, or even doubtfully wounded, for all the land that is watered by the King of Floods and all his tributary streams.*" He left me to resume his post, utterly refusing to explain out of the Senate anything that he had said in it and with the positive declaration that he would not return the next fire

I withdrew a little into the woods, and kept my eyes fixed upon Mr Randolph who I then knew to be the only one in danger I saw him receive the fire of Mr. Clay, saw the gravel knocked up in the same place, saw Mr Randolph raise his pistol—discharge it in the air, heard him say, "I do not fire at you, Mr Clay," and immediately advancing and offered his hand He was met in the same spirit They met half way, shook hands, Mr Randolph saying jocosely, "You owe me a new coat, Mr. Clay," (the bullet had passed through the skirt of the coat, very near the hip) to which Mr Clay promptly and happily replied, "I am glad the debt is no greater" I had come up, and was prompt to proclaim what I had been obliged to keep secret for eight days. The joy of all was extreme at this happy termination of a most critical affair, and we immediately left, with lighter hearts than we had brought I stopped to sup with Mr Randolph and his friends—none of us had wanted dinner that day—and had a characteristic time of it.

He asked for the sealed paper he had given me, opened it, took out a check for one thousand dollars, drawn in my favor, and with which I was requested to have him carried, if killed, to Virginia, and buried under his patrimonial oaks—not let him be buried at Washington, with an hundred hacks after him He took the gold from his left breeches pocket and said to us, (Hamilton, Tatnall and I) "Gentlemen, Clay's bad shooting shan't rob you of your seals I am going to London and will have them made for you," which he did, and most characteristically, so far as mine was concerned. He went to the Herald's office in London and inquired for the Benton family, of which I had often told him there was none, [illegible] we only dated on that side from my grandfather in North Carolina. But the name was found and with it a coat of arms. Among the quarterings a lion rampant. That is the family said he, and had the arms engraved on the seal, the same which I have since [illegible] worn, and added [the motto] "[illegible]" of which he [illegible] to say the [illegible]

merely to relate an event, but to show character, and if I have not done it it is not for want of material, but of ability to use it.

On Monday the parties exchanged cards and social relations were formally and courteously restored It was about the last high-toned duel that I have witnessed, and among the highest toned that I have ever witnessed and so happily conducted to a fortunate issue—a result due to the seconds as well as to the generous and heroic spirit of the principals

Certainly duelling is bad, and has been put down, but not quite so bad as its substitute—revolvers, bowie knives, blackguarding and street assassinations under the pretext of self defence.

New Printing Press.

We learn from the Milwaukee Sentinel that Mr S D Carpenter, late of the Madison Democrat, who has been hard at work for some time past in getting up plans &c for a new Printing Press of his own invention, has at length succeeded in completing one, and placed it [illegible] Mr Lester, a clever Cincinnati mechanic, who is interested in the patent will build a press upon the new plan, and hopes to have it ready for exhibition at the World's Fair, N Y in August next There are three prominent [illegible] that will strike every observer. *First*, it feeds itself, and does it perfectly. *Second* it works both sides of the sheet, at once the half-cylinder working to and fro printing one side of the sheet as the bed plate moves forward, and the other side as it comes back. The registry, too, is as accurate as the cleanest can make it. *Third*, the Press [illegible] its own work [illegible] face, with [illegible] of the sides [illegible] numbered sheets as well as the number of quires worked off [illegible] much less complicated than the Hoe Press [illegible] to furnish [illegible] great [illegible] In running it [illegible] he says [illegible] one man can [illegible] and [illegible] to the same [illegible] Altogether, we think that Mr Carpenter has struck a good lead in this invention, and we hope that he will do well with it.—*B[illegible]*

THE N[illegible]—The N Y Tribune remarks as follows about newspapers

The measure of popular enlightenment at the present time and where is it but in newspapers! We state the fact broadly, because the newspaper now [illegible] an unprecedented degree the place of the preacher, lecturer, [illegible] orator. It is a daily [illegible] every conceivable subject and pointing at every special source of information The reader [illegible] from the newspaper regularly [illegible] of [illegible] the chief condenser of thought We do not hesitate to say that the best writings now in England and America is in its newspapers and [illegible] The [illegible] the [illegible] verbal [illegible] unnecessary [illegible] what should be taken for granted which disfigures more or less nearly every popular treatise. Journalism gets at facts without [illegible] general [illegible] afterwards paraded in books as original In the matter of laws it is more suggestive than the law makers In the extent of [illegible] a newspaper is equal to [illegible] five hundred or five thousand ordinary lecturers or declaimers

[illegible] EPITAPH [illegible]—The [illegible] says

A lady in the West has been kind enough to send us a copy of Andrew Jackson's epitaph on his wife It is known to have been his own composition, yet, although it has been read by thousands on her tomb in Tennessee, has never appeared in print before. This singular inscription runs thus

"Here lie the remains of Mrs Rachel Jackson, wife of President Jackson, who died on the 22d of December, 1828, aged 61. Her face was fair, her person pleasing her temper amiable, and her heart kind. She delighted in relieving the wants of her fellow creatures, and cultivated that divine pleasure by the most liberal and unpretending methods To the poor she was a benefactress, to the rich she was an example; to the wretched a comforter, to the prosperous an ornament Her pity went hand in hand with her benevolence; and she thanked her Creator for being permitted to do good. A being so gentle and yet so virtuous, slander might attack but could not dishonor Even death when he tore her from the arms of her husband could but transplant her to the bosom of her God."

☞ On the 3d of December 1851, the ship Georgia was wrecked on Long Beach N. J and libeled (for salvage, we presume) by Thomas Bond. After eighteen months of litigation, the U S Court at Trenton closed the matter by distribution of the sale of said vessel to the libellant Thomas Bond The proceeds amounted to $1,005 the whole of which was swallowed up in the costs of the Court except $29, which the libellant received His [illegible] was $1,28[illegible] About [illegible] per cent [illegible] for collecting [illegible]

From California.

Mr Crockett, of St Louis in writing to the Intelligencer of that city from San Francisco gives some interesting information in regard to the people of California We make the following extracts from his letter

Amongst the recent accessions to the bar of California [illegible] Edward Stanley of N Carolina who [illegible] opened an office [illegible] adds to the list of distinguished men who have come to reap a golden harvest in California, and the [illegible] at land when, in the learned professions as in commerce and agricultural pursuits and indeed every department of business, this State will [illegible] talent and energy, also [illegible] with out a parallel in any other newly settled country, and equaled by very few of the oldest States Already some of the [illegible] most [illegible] the whole Union and the merchants of California, taken as a class, are inferior to none, while [illegible] even new [illegible] parts of the [illegible] the number is rapidly increasing

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It is said that the *[illegible]* of Samuel Brannan, Esq is over two hundred and fifty [illegible] that of J L Folsom, [illegible] and several [illegible] These large estates have been made within the last three or four years by the rapid rise of real estate [illegible] this city In 1847 and 1848 lots were purchased here for fifteen or twenty Dollars which are now worth over a hundred thousand All those who [illegible] and have had the [illegible] have grown rich [illegible] such [illegible] ground [illegible] a thousand [illegible] the improvement [illegible] prices [illegible] than five times as high as in St Louis the price of [illegible] reasonable

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I had [illegible] a day or two, [illegible] who has just [illegible] among the mines. He gives the most encouraging account of [illegible] and thinks that [illegible] the State, [illegible] It is [illegible] any material [illegible] of the mines for many years [illegible] he says [illegible] almost daily [illegible] and oftentimes where there was not the least reason to suppose it existed What are to be the effects of this [illegible] upon the trade, civilization and the progress of the world, remains to be [illegible] already apparent [illegible] California is exerting a tremendous influence upon [illegible] civilized [illegible] of the earth

[illegible] MEN NEVER D[illegible]—Fifty-three years ago on the 4th of July, 1800, Daniel Webster then in his senior year in College delivered an oration at Hanover, N H which is still preserved and has been republished within the last year Mr. Mac[illegible] of Sanbornton [illegible] who was in College with Mr Webster gives the following anecdote [illegible] in the Congregational Journal

"I was in his room when a deputation called upon Mr Webster to ask him to accept the invitation [illegible] to be an [illegible] he way He [illegible] to the dignity of the occasion There was a dilemma, [illegible] was relieved by a proposition [illegible] of the deputation present, a merchant of the village who said 'You deliver the oration Mr Webster I will trust you for a suit of clothes from the best cloth I have in my store Then we will have the oration printed and I will depend on the proceeds of the sales for my pay' Mr W turned to me—'Jack' he said, 'what shall I do?' 'Prepare the oration' I said The oration was prepared and delivered, and so much were the citizens gratified that a copy was earnestly requested for publication. From the sales, the debt due the merchant was paid and a considerable surplus left to Mr. Webster's own use"

☞ A new way of getting a divorce is about being illustrated in the case of the Rev. Dr Ives who seceded from the Episcopal Church and embraced the Catholic faith. The *Ch[illegible]* has been furnished with a letter written by a member of the Episcopal church in North Carolina to Bishop Green which states that "Mrs. Ives will return home with her brother, Dr. Hobart, he having received notice from the Pope, that Dr Ives would be ordained priest in the summer, and could no longer be considered her husband

☞ It is a little singular [illegible] all the mourning over the Whig party is dead, is performed by the Locofocos and Free-soilers. What business have they to be putting on long faces, [illegible] their eyes red [illegible] *—In diana Journal.*

☞ [illegible] and it will [illegible] and [illegible]

Oregon Spectator.

[illegible] CITY

Friday Morning, September 23, 1853.

Oregon—the Past and Present.

[illegible]

... truthfully, that ... in Oregon. We ... to say that there are comparatively few who may be said to be poor, ... God there are no beggars ... there are many who have lost their ... This ...

Temporary ... But that ... there can be no good ... An exclusive producing ... attempt an apology. ... person will risk his reputation ... as to ... one. One thing ... if we were disposed to take up ourself the task to make a plan we should not know how to begin.

☞We ... that Hon. Gerrit Smith has just made a donation of $25,000 to the city of Oswego for the purpose of establishing a public library. We haven't heard the details of the plan, but the fact is quite current in our city.—*Oswego Palladium.*

☞ The weather is delightfully pleasant—[illegible] season yet.

The Upper Willamette.

Capt. Chandler and J. G. Gibson of this city, accompanied by Mr. McMulligen of Lane county, left Eugene City about the first of this month by water, for the purpose of exploring the West Fork of the Willamette and the main river down to Marysville, with the view of ascertaining, if possible, to what extent the river is navigable above the last named point.

Eugene City is situated about [illegible] miles above the junction of the McKenzie's fork, in Lane county, and is distant from Marysville about 15 miles by land and about [illegible] by water. The country round about is one of the very best in Oregon. ... up there opens out very ... a very extensive farming country. The ... along the river ... alluvial.

From Eugene City to the mouth of McKenzie's river there are a number of ... and swift shoots, and ... good river with ... There are several ... of the same nature ... islands ...

[illegible]

☞ The immigrants have been ... for the last week. Quite a ... the river at this place a few days ... They intend settling ... some 16 or 18 miles ... some very good land ... or less pine on it. Washington county will receive quite an accession ... population this season.

... the health of the immigrants is generally good, all accounts concur in representing the loss of stock very heavy. From the *Times* we take the subjoined paragraph:

> "Some ... have taken the ... Walla Walla ... Mr. Hood, taken the Southern ... striking ... Malheur river, (Meeks cut ..."

We had hoped for the poor immigrants that Mr. Elliott would not succeed in persuading any of them to take that *cut off*. It is generally represented as a cut off from water, grass, and wood—three very essential things in crossing the plains. This is not all. We are credibly informed that the road through the mountain has not been cut out. We think any person who will thus wantonly multiply the ills and hardships of the famished and worn out immigrant deserves the censure of every one at all acquainted with the trying circumstances attendant upon that toilsome journey. From what we have heard no person acquainted with the road would induce another to take that route, unless influenced to do so from sinister motives. We will be charitable ..., however, to suppose Mr. E. is not fully aware of the trials and troubles he is bringing upon others. It is a severe route, independent of the crossing of the Cascade mountains.

☞The work on the Clackamas Bridge has been again suspended in consequence of an injunction having been sued for and granted at the instance of the proprietor, on the other side of the river. We are not in possession of the particulars. This will be sad news to the folks beyond the *Rubicon*. The hope was generally cherished that the bridge would be completed this fall. This late move will, we think, give it a quietus for this fall at least. The irons consisting of heavy bolts, &c., are all made, and the timber principally upon the ground.

From Rogue River.

The Indian war is still unsettled. The Indians failed to make good their promises, and the end we may predict, is not yet. The fighting boys are glad of it. They have tasted blood and they want more. They are for hunting them down without farther parley. So they are bound to have some more *fun*, as they deem it.

A circumstance has occurred there lately that is very reprehensible: it is barbarous and unchristian to say the least, and cannot fail to become a fruitful ... revenge on the part of the Indians ... wish to make a treaty, the whites ... feast and while the Indians were partaking of a roasted ox they were fired upon and ... of their number killed ... escape. These were known as [illegible] Indians.

Some eight or ten of the ... Grave Creek ... report ... Having been ... a house with ... pretended ... professions they were ... and brutally shot.

[illegible] Statesman we ex... [illegible]

K[illegible].—Mr. Tro[illegible], engineer ... Washington on her ... inward ... gave us a specimen ... Koose Bay coal. We are ... judge of ... permitted to venture an opinion ... we would say ... It has been pronounced ... coal that has been ... Oregon. We think a lighter ... coal we have ... the Washington ... That ... immense quantities, ... think there is no kind of ... this discovery as one ... Oregon. The ... it is discovered ... at accessible points ... quantities ... greatly ... needed ... Oregon, renders it highly ... that will be brought into ... position, to supply the demand ... former. We are lamentably in need ... to facilitate exchanges. This, though remotely situated, may prove a benefit to a portion of Oregon if not to this particular section.

☞ We learn from Mr. John Nelson, who arrived here a few days since, that the rear immigration will suffer for want of provisions if relief is not sent from here. There was something of a scarcity generally as far as his knowledge extended, and the trip has been so much prolonged for many by the loss of stock and breaking down of teams that much want will be experienced from these causes. The most of the people this season, at least those that have already got in have crossed the Cascade Mountains in preference to taking water at the Dalles.

Mr. N. informs us that no snow had fallen while he was crossing the mountains. Very little dead stock was to be seen on the road, even where they died in such great numbers of other years. We rejoice to hear so favorable a report from the place where we expected the severest trials, and where the tug of war existed of former years.

We learn from one who has crossed the mountains six or eight times that grass is plenty, if persons only knew where to find it. It is not to be found immediately on the road, as that is generally eaten up by the advance trains. This grass, though plentiful, has but little substance and only serves to keep stock alive.

None of the advance immigrants have left their stock at the Dalles or beyond; they have all driven through thus far.

Mr. Thompson informed us that it was his intention to leave his sheep up at the Umatilla agency. This we think a wise conclusion on his part. Success to him.

Correspondence.

For the Oregon Spectator.

Lower S[illegible], Sept. 6, '53.

Editor Oregon Spectator:

Dear Sir:—I have no doubt but that anything new ... tending in any way to the development of that Territory and its natural resources, must prove interesting to the Spectator, at least I always considered it so when the "Spectator" was alive; and presume that in her new garb the policy has not been changed. At all events I go upon the strength of that supposition, and therefore without further ceremony shall endeavor to give you a sketch through a ... of the explorations of the steamer "Washington" in Koose Bay and Smith's river; and you may rely upon it that the statements shall be found correct, however ...

On Friday the 19th of Aug. 1853, the *Jolly* Washington ... down ... Umpqua City, near the mouth of this ... river ... Winchester Bay and ... at the ... I presume ... Washington ... out ... however great ... the illustrious name she bears I must confess she backed out ... next morning she ... though the captain ... then on the beach ... the Washington ... of course, ... at that stage of the ... however ... she did ... The captain ... is the greatest ... coolness ... on account we ... Bay, at ... the entrance ... about three ... and safely, was ... question ... as Shakespeare says. The captain climbed to the mast head while the poor little Washington was rolling to and fro after a fashion that I have no wish to see repeated. He decided that we could venture in, and he remained at the mast head and ordered the fireman to take the helm. I saw at once that as it was ... flood tide, we must either run in or ... the attempt. There was ... no choice; we had put one ... there was no backing out ... we went ... the breakers ... entered in safety, and most sincerely said, thank God!

... expressing ... description ... we anchored ... and discharg...

Having ... the cargo, we got up steam ... up the bay about six miles ... the city site ... chosen as the ... exposed, and flats ... extent.

Koose Bay is not very extensive but has many flats, and the entrance I consider dangerous for sailing vessels, but ocean steamers I believe can enter with safety, and even sailing vessels when a strong steam tug is at hand. But with such a boat I ... no particular hurry to risk my ... into Koose Bay. In fact had the Washington not had steam at command ... would have been totally ... and purposes, as we crossed the ... with a strong N. W. wind, and whilst in the most dangerous part, ... rollers on each side, her ... fairly failed us. Had, therefore, the Washington not had steam even the illustrious name she bears could not have saved her from a total wreck, and all hands must have perished, ... that case you would have missed this *valuable communication*.

On our arrival at the city ... we were received by the B'hoys, about fifty of them, with three cheers, and of course the Washington responded with three whistles. The circumstances were exciting and fully justifies all the display made on the occasion. The Washington was the first steamer that had ever navigated Koose Bay—she had gone there at considerable risk, and her appearance and whistle astonished the natives! We camped with the B'hoys that night, and met with the most kind and cordial reception, and which we shall always be most willing and ready to reciprocate when any of them come our way. In mentioning ... reception at the city site of Koose Bay I must not neglect to state that I labor under great obligations to Dr. Foster and Mr. Harris, and also to Mr. Marpell.

On the next day we ran the Washington about five miles up the bay to one of the coal mines, with a good stock of the B'hoys on board, who kindly volunteered their services to ballast the Washington with coal. We anchored in perfectly quiet water and took in coal at about fifty yards distance from the shore. We tested the coal and the engineer pronounced it good. There are also, here, cedar and white pine, and I believe excellent timber. You have now my ideas of Koose Bay, and as they are taken from personal observation, I believe you can rely upon them.

Now for Smith's river. The Washington ran up Smith's river about forty miles. That river empties into the Umpqua about nine miles above its mouth. During this excursion we observed large bottoms of rich land, covered however pretty thickly with maple wood and brush, which could be easily cleared. We believe, however, that most of these bottoms are subject to inundation during the freshets in winter; and therefore fear that stock could not be carefully raised, or maintained when raised along this river. But I fully believe that root plants of every description could be raised in the greatest abundance and perfection. We ran up, as I have already stated forty miles in the Washington, and then ... along shore ... then lead low water and I have no doubt but in high tide ... could have run at least twenty miles further up, as the ... then showed ... of rising at least four feet ... There is no want of timber and ... most appropriate ... market.

I have now ... Smith's river ... Scottsburg ... I presume ... anxious ... no due credit ... have to say how ... Washington is doing something, as you ...

... the shop ... and I would recommend the B'hoys coming in to look ... The proprietor ... Mr. W[illegible] Scott ... Brandy bar, to ... ahead, and will go ahead. In the meantime the "Francis Helen" has been twice here since we established and found no difficulty in crossing Brandy bar, and also found ... which very convenient on arri...

I ... depend now upon the weather ... the Washington once more ... bar ... this season, in order to explore the Sousclaw river to the n...ward of the mouth of the Umpqua, as I understand, about ten miles. I have been anxious to make these explorations previous to the arrival of the Immigration, so as to put them in possession of the real facts. I am informed that Smith's river takes its rise near to the Sousclaw, but am still uncertain upon that point. Had time permitted when I made the trip up Smith's river I should have ascertained it to a certainty.

In giving the description I have already given you of the Umpqua bar and of the ... the Washington encountered in ... out you must not suppose that it is a dangerous bar, but the Washington is a real go ahead and went out against a strong tide. Had she chosen her time and tide it would appear very differently.

Your friend, G. T. A.

For the Oregon Spectator.

Mr. S[illegible]:—Dear Sir:—In your paper of last week you publish from the "Ba[illegible]" a ... of a Minister residing at Oak Point ... considering the nature and contents of this letter it requires ... I hardly think all its ... so charitably construed as to ... upon the printers ... to the tune of $5 for 10 miles.

First, with reference to the Rev. brother's hardships in traveling a circuit forty miles ... in a boat ... his lodging in that hut ... which one might have caught ... grown hen'—and who knows ... since he had meat for supper ... of his hard fare upon that memorable night nothing need be said; but every old Oregon man will smile ... thinks of a new comer talking about such hardships as these. He will conclude that they were written for the children and ... at home, with little thought ... part of the writer that they would find their way into public print.

Second, ... reference to the high compliment he pays the Californians as "... liberal ... pay their preachers well, would have ... well enough, had it not been immediately added, 'not so in Oregon.'" Now it may be true that the people of California are ahead of those of Oregon in paying their ministers, and there may be a good reason for it, without reflecting upon the character of the people of Oregon, and ... the fact, without designing any ... may have been all that was ... But not one in a hundred of your readers would understand it other than as a reflection upon the ... of our people. Some ministers may fare poorly in Oregon. They may meet with stingy and penurious men, here as well as elsewhere, whose minds never go beyond the circle of their own wants, who seize with such avidity the 'bits,' that they may justly say with the poet—

> "Farewell vain world I'm going home—"

as they drop into their pockets, but we hesitate not to say that Oregon has as few of such men as other parts of our country.

Third, "this steamer"—referring to the "Lot Whitcomb"—"is principally owned by one of the members of our church, (Bro. Abernethy) who sometimes grants me a free passage to my appointments." This would seem to indicate that sometimes he is charged. Now I believe the rule on that boat, and several others, is *never* to charge ministers, which rule so far as I have heard is strictly adhered to by the officers of that boat. But a charitable brother in solution suggests that "sometimes" is used with reference to his general habit of riding in his own boat. If so it might have been better worded. And now while upon this subject, justice to steamboat owners and captains upon our rivers requires me as a minister of the Gospel to say, I have never fared better, nor as well, at the hands of the like class of men in any other land. I think the ministers of the Gospel ... they could ...

[illegible]

For the [illegible]

Mr. Editor—Dear Sir:—I ... quite industr... of trade ... amount ... generally known ... mills in ... and its ... average of 15,000 to 20,000 feet lumber per day. Averaging the price $20 per M. amounts, in the course of a year, to $[illegible]5,500 arising from this branch of business alone. We have a grist mill here that for quality of flour is not surpassed by any other in the Territory. I assert it without the fear of contradiction that there is not another town of equal population in Oregon that makes larger returns in favor of the Territory than Milwaukie. This money is spent here in Oregon. It is too true of parts of ... country that they buy almost every ... and manufacture nothing to equalize exchange. This is bringing ruin to the country and certainly is making money scarce.

Our usually quiet town was thrown into quite an excitement a few days ago by the sudden disappearance of about $[illegible] in gold dust extracted from the ... of Mr. P. W. Knight, a worthy ... man who has been at work at this place in a saw-mill for several weeks. Mr. ... returned here from the mines a ... since. The money had been ... I am informed, by hard digging accumulated by littles. It is truly a ... The guilty person, as yet has not been detected. I hope the ... will ferret out and the punishment ... serves meted out to him. Yours, ...

Milwaukie, Sept 20, 1853. R[illegible]

For the O[illegible]

Mr. Editor—Sir:—I ... many others engaged in the ... business, feel an interest in the transportation of freight from Portland to O... City upon fair and adequate terms ... anything thrown out that is calculated to lessen the exorbitant rates that are charged, and I have been charged ... I think is deserving ... There ought to be some remedy for and there doubtless is; but I have no ... of my own to suggest to ... What I wish to ... An offer was made ... to transport all the goods and freight of every kind the next ... years that may pass between Portland and Oregon City for two dollars per ton. This offer was made by an ... He says ... into an obligation and give ... security for the faithful performance of his work. Judging from what ... I think ... I am ... that it was ... more ... would be ... upon the subject ... ask for it an attentive consideration. I am ... upon the ... The proposition here made is ... charged on 50 miles ... the distance but 12 miles. It is ... at least. Very truly yours, ...

Sept 17, 1853.

☞ He that is not blind or ... but half an eye can readily perceive ... force of the law regarding ... advertising. Persons ... and twist, and misrepresent and make forced constructions of the law ... it is too plain a matter to need comment or explanation. Here it is:

> "SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted,* * * *And all the advertisements made under the orders of the Post Master General, in a newspaper or newspapers, of Letters uncalled for in* ANY *Post Office, shall be inserted in the ... or papers,* OF THE TOWN OR PLACE *where the office advertising may be situated having the largest circulation.*"

☞ The Portland papers of the 17th inst., publish the Assessor's Report of Washington county.

The number of voters is . .	12[illegible]
The No. of males under 21 years	10[illegible]1
The No of females (all ages) .	1507

For the information of the bachelors the assessor might have added the number of marriageable ladies. We have almost a notion to charge "Dick" with selfishness in that. We wonder at Bro. Waterman not filing his protest against the [illegible]

MR HENDEE

Fifty Dollars Reward.

RAN ON CLARK

DON'T READ THIS,

Plows

Valuable Real Estate.

TO MERCHANTS.

DRY GOOS,

DR D D STEPHENSON,

Surveyor General's Notice to Settlers

NOTICE

Stoves' Stoves'' Stoves'''

Different kinds of Canemith Plows

OXEN FOR SALE

BUSINESS CARDS.

GEO. ABERNETHY & CO.,
General Wholesale Merchants,
Oregon City, O. T

ALLAN, M KINLAY & CO.,
Dry Goods Groceries Hardware, &c,

H. G. HIGHFIELD,

W. WHITLOCK,
Dealer in Dry Goods & Groceries.

J. W. TOMS,
Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

ALLAN LOWE & CO

WM C DEMENT
Groceries & Provisions.

PRESTON O NEILL & CO

THE OREGON HOUSE,

CRIS TAYLOR,
Wholesale and Retail Merchant.

JOSEPH N. PRESCOTT,
Groceries Provisions &c.

To Merchants and others.

DR W B MAGERS,

BYRNES
STORE & CONFECTIONARY

TILL NEXT MAIL,

A Small Lot of Groceries.

Wheat Wanted.

PRESTON, O'NEILL & CO.,
Hardware Groceries Provisions,

ALLAN, M KINLAY & CO.,

ESPECIAL NOTICE!

JUST RECEIVED,

EDEN SOLOMON

TEAMS WANTED

MISCELLANY.

Solomon's Temple.

The following account of a remarkable piece of mechanism is taken from a Persian manuscript called the 'History of Jerusalem.' It purports to be a description of the throne of King Solomon, which, if the details are correctly given, undoubtedly surpasses any specimen of mechanism produced in modern times, notwithstanding the wonderful inventions which have taken place in every branch of science.

The sides of it were of pure gold, the feet of emerald rubies, intermixed with pearls, each of which was as big as an ostrich egg. The throne had seven steps; on each side were delineated orchards full of trees, the branches of which were of precious stones, representing fruit—ripe and unripe; on the tops of trees were to be seen figures of plumaged birds, particularly the peacock, the etaub and the kurges. All these birds were hollowed within, artificially, so as occasionally to utter a thousand melodious notes, such as the ear of mortals never heard. On the first were delineated vine branches, having bunches of grapes composed of various sorts of precious stones fashioned in a manner as to represent the various colors of purple, violet, green and red, so as to render the appearance of real fruit. On the second step on each side of the throne, were two lions, of terrible aspect, as large as life, and formed of cast gold.

The nature of this remarkable throne was such, that when Solomon placed his foot on the first step, the birds spread forth their wings, and made a fluttering noise in the air. On [illegible] second step two lions expanded [illegible] claws. On his reaching [illegible] step the whole assembly of demons and fairies and men repeated the praises of [illegible]. When he arrived at the fourth step voices were heard addressing him in the following manner: 'Son of David, be thankful for the blessings the Almighty has bestowed upon you.' The same was repeated on reaching the fifth step. On his reaching the sixth step, all the children of Israel joined them; and on his arrival on the seventh step, and the throne, birds and animals became in motion and ceased not until he placed himself in the royal seat, when the birds, lions and other animals, by secret springs, discharged a shower of most precious perfumes on Solomon, after which two of the kurgesses descended and placed the golden crown upon his head. Before the throne was a column of burnished gold, on the top of which was a golden dove, holding in his beak a volume of bound silver. In this book were written the Psalms of David; and the dove having presented the book to the King, he read aloud a portion of it to the children of Israel. It is further related that on the approach of wicked persons to the throne, the lions were wont to set up a terrible roaring and to lash their tails with violence; the birds also ruffled up their feathers, and the assembly of demons and genii uttered horrid cries, so that for fear of them no person dared to be guilty of falsehood, but confessed their crimes. Such was the throne of Solomon the Son of David.

A LAND FOR PRINTERS—THE AUSTRALIAN PRESS.—We have before had occasion to notice the neatness with which some of the papers of Australia are printed and the ability with which they are edited. We have now to notice another feature of them.

We have before us the copies of the Melbourne Argus of the 11th and 16th. Each number comes to us in the [illegible] double the size of the Star. It [illegible] seven colums to the page—twenty [illegible] columns to the sheet—eighty four columns in each number before us! Of these [illegible] sixty-five to seventy are filled with new advertisements!

'*Prodigious*,' as Dominie Sampson would say. And then just look at the prices that printers have in Australia.

The terms of the Argus are as follows:

Subscription—Twenty shillings sterling per quarter—or twenty dollars per annum!

"Advertising—Cash—For thirty words or under, one shilling; for one inch, three shillings, and one shilling for every four additional lines for each insertion."—*Panama Star*.

☞ We quote an extraordinary passage from Lord John Russel's recently published "Memoirs of Fox":

"In 1771 Fox was a desperate gambler. Admired the manners of the day. As the gaming and extravagance of the young men of quality had now arrived at such a pitch never heard of, it is worth while to give some account of it. They had a club at Almack's in Pall Mall, where they played only for *rouleaus* of fifty pounds each, and generally there was ten thousand pounds in specie on the table. Lord Holland had paid over twenty thousand pounds for his two sons.

Nor were the manners of the gamesters, or even their dresses of play, undeserving notice. They began by pulling off their embroidered clothes and put on frieze great coats, or turned their coats inside outwards for luck. They put on pieces leather (such as are worn by footmen when they clean their knives) to save their laced ruffles, and to guard their eyes from the light, and prevent tumbling their hair, wore high-crowned straw hats, with broad brims, and adorned with flowers and ribbons; masks to conceal emotions when they played at "quinze."

Each gamester had a small, neat stand by him, to hold their tea, or a wooden bowl with an edge of 'ormolu' to hold their 'rouleaus.' They borrowed great sums from Jews, at exorbitant premiums. Charles Fox called his outward room where these Jews waited till he rose, his "Jerusalem Chamber."

The Mocking Bird of America.

The American mocking bird is the prince of all song birds, being altogether unrivaled in the extent and variety of his vocal powers; and, besides the fulness and melody of his original notes, he has the faculty of imitating the notes of all other birds, from the humming bird to the eagle. Pennant states that he heard a caged one imitate the mewing of a cat, and the creaking of a sign in high winds. Barrington says, his pipes come nearest to the nightingale of any bird he ever heard. The description, however, given by Wilson, in his own inimitable manner, as far excels Pennant and Barrington, as the bird excels his fellow songsters. Wilson tells us that the ease, elegance and rapidity of his movements, the animation of his eye, and the intelligence he displays in listening to and laying up lessons, mark the peculiarity of his genius. His voice is full, strong and musical, and capable of almost every modulation, from the clear mellow tones of the woodthrush to the savage scream of the bald eagle. In measure and accents he faithfully follows his original, while in strength and sweetness of expression, he greatly improves upon them. In his native woods upon a dewy morning, his song rises above every competitor, for the others appear merely as inferior accompaniments. His own notes are bold and full, and varied seemingly beyond all limits. They consist of short expressions of two, three, or at most five or six syllables, generally uttered with great emphasis and rapidity, and continued with undiminished ardor, for half an hour or for an hour at a time. While singing, he expands his tail, glistening with white, keeping time to his own music, and buoyant gaiety of his action is no less fascinating than his song. He sweeps round with enthusiastic ecstacy, he mounts and descends, as his song swells or dies away, he bounds aloft with the celerity of an arrow, as if to recover or recall his very soul, expired in the last elevated strain. A bystander might suppose that the whole feathered tribe had assembled together on a trial of skill—each striving to produce their utmost effort—so perfect are his imitations. He often deceives the sportsman, and even birds themselves are imposed upon by this admirable mimic. In confinement, he loses a little of the power or energy of his song. He whistles for the dog, Cæsar starts up, wags his tail, and runs to meet his master. He cries like a hurt chicken, and the hen hurries about with feathers on end, to protect her injured brood. He repeats the tune taught him though it be of considerable length, with perfect accuracy. He runs over the notes of the canary, and of the red bird, with such superior execution and effect, that the mortified songsters confess his triumph by their immediate silence. His fondness for variety some suppose injures his song. His imitations of the brown thrush is often interrupted by the crowing of cocks and his exquisite warblings after the blue bird are mingled with the screaming of swallows or the cackling of hens. During moonlight, both in the wild and tame state, he sings the whole night long. The hunters, in their nocturnal excursions, know that the moon is rising the instant they hear his delightful solo. After Shakspeare, Barrington attributes, in part, the exquisiteness of the nightingale's song to the silence of the night, but if so, what are we to think of the bird, which, in the open glare of day, overpowers and often silences all competition? The natural notes of the American mocking birds are similar to those of the brown thrush.—*Audubon*.

WARREN COUNTY SHAKERS.—One of the largest Shaker societies in the world is located at Union Village, Warren county, Ohio. It was founded in 1805, and now numbers near 600 persons. The society owns over 4000 acres of fertile land, which is well cultivated. The society is divided into four families, the largest numbering nearly 200 members, and is called the Centre, it being the residence of the elder and mother. The building of this family is a four story brick [illegible] feet front and 108 feet deep. Their fruit [illegible] cheese, cattle, &c., are of the [illegible] and they have a garden of about 12 acres in which are cultivated all the medical plants and herbs of this climate.

The celebrated Shaker Sarsaparilla is manufactured here, and is a great source of revenue. Garden seeds are put up in large quantities, and the Dayton Gazette to which we are indebted for the above facts states that they have now on their domain 3000 head of sheep, 500 cattle, 100 horses, countless numbers of poultry, but no hogs or dogs.

The Shaker's society at North Union, in this county, is on a much smaller scale, but everything is kept in good order. A house for public worship is being erected, and the public will soon have an opportunity to again witness the religious dance of this singular sect.

JOHN RANDOLPH, AS HE APPEARED TO THE POET MOORE.—The following mention of Randolph is found in the memoirs of Thomas Moore, lately published.

MAY 30, 1822.— * * Laid in some meat and went to the House of Commons; avenues blocked up with unsuccessful candidates for admission. After several repulses, and at last giving up in despair, was taken by Jerningham as one of the Catholics on his list. Mr. Blunt sat next Lord Limerick and Randolph—the famous American orator—a singular looking man, with a young old face, and a short small body, mounted upon a pair of high crane legs and thighs, so that when he stood up you did not know where he was to end, and a squeaking voice, just like the boy's beginning to break into manhood. His manner, too, strange and pedantic, but his powers of eloquence, (Irving tells me) are wonderful."

The Pert Young Man.

There is a period in the life of a young man which may appropriately be called the age of puppyism. It is at that period when he is little more than a boy, and a good deal less than a man—when the hand stroked across the chin, detects a sort of downy inequality, and visions of barbers and razors rise up constantly before him, when the tailor suddenly becomes a person of vast importance, and he begins to talk of "the men of our college and the ladies of our acquaintance." Very tight pantaloons, displaying immense moral and physical courage in venturing into the winds with such slender supports as they contain—a cravat of great proportions—a knowing half jock half gentleman hat—fancy vest, gold chain and quizzing glass make up the external qualifications of the pert young man.

He sets his legs apart in addressing men old enough to be his grandfather, twirls his cigar and calls him 'my dear fellow,' or 'me boy.' His paternal parent he always calls 'the governor,' and never thinks of him or refers to him except when he wants the 'governor to come down handsome'—who he maintains has no right to 'expect a man' to be unable to pay his billiard expenses. His conversational powers are very limited, never having fathomed anything deeper than the bottom of a brandy smash, or extending his inquiries beyond the bill of fare of his favorite restaurant. In his manner to the ladies he is rather patronizing, and in the first instance he acts upon the conviction of the inferiority of the sex; and in the next, with consideration with regard to the killing effect of his beauty and manly accomplishments. He cannot possibly marry them all, and to show partiality would be unfair. His head is the only place where nature acknowledges a perfect vacuum.—*New Orleans Delta*.

THE WAY TO A FATHER'S HEART.—The following paragraph from an article in the Home Journal, is attributed to "the pen of some gentle-hearted lady unknown:"

"One cold winter morning I looked into a milliner's shop, and there I saw a hale, hearty, well browned young fellow from the country, with his long cart-whip, and lion shag coat, holding up some little matter and turning it over in his great fist. And what do you suppose it was? A baby's bonnet! A little, soft, blue satin hood, with a swan's down border, white as the frill of rich blonde around the edge. By his side stood a very pretty woman, holding, with no small pride, the baby, for evidently it was *the* baby. And one could read the fact in every glance, as they looked at each other and at the little hood, and then at the large, blue, unconscious eye, and fat, dimpled cheeks of the little one. It was evident that neither of them had ever seen a baby like that before! 'But really, Mary,' said the young man, 'is not three dollars very high?' Mary very prudently said nothing, but quietly taking up the hood she tried it on the little head, and held up the baby. The man grinned, and without another word, down went the three dollars (all the last week's butter came to) and as they walked out of the shop it is hard to say which looked the most delighted with the bargain. 'Ah, thought I, a little child shall lead them.'"

HOW TO MAKE MONEY FAST.—Enter into the business which you have a perfect knowledge [illegible] by the aid of [illegible] have a cash capital [illegible] a cash business [illegible] on a credit business [illegible] Buy all your materials for cash; you can take every advantage of the market and [illegible] choose where you please. Be careful [illegible] to overstock yourself. Rise and fall with the market on short stocks. Always stick to those whom you prove to be just in their transactions and shun all others even at a temporary disadvantage. Never take the advantage of a customer's ignorance, nor equivocate nor misrepresent. Have but one price [illegible] and you will find [illegible] customers, or they will [illegible]

If ever deceived in business [illegible] tions, never attempt to [illegible] putting the deception upon [illegible] but submit to the loss and be [illegible] in future.

According to the [illegible] of your business, set [illegible] for printing [illegible] do not hesitate. Never [illegible] parcel or package [illegible] out a handsome printed label, wrapper, card or circular and dispose [illegible] tinually. Choose a newspaper [illegible] purpose, and keep yourself [illegible] before the public, and it matters not what business of utility you make choice of, for if intelligently and industriously pursued, a fortune will be the result.

☞ A laughable story of some [illegible] pigeons is told, in an Antwerp [illegible] The editor of a celebrated journal [illegible] ed in that city, sent a reporter to Brussels for the King's speech, and with him a couple of carrier pigeons, to take back the document. At Brussels he gave the pigeons in charge to a waiter, and called for breakfast. He was kept waiting for some time, but a very delicate fricassee atoned for the delay. After breakfast he paid his bill, and called for his carrier pigeons. 'Pigeons!' exclaimed the waiter, 'why you have eaten them.'

☞ The grandest new church, built in London, is erected by the Latter Day Saints, Lord Sidmouth, and Mr Drummond, M. P., &c. They so completely expect the world to end in 1864, that they only take a lease of the ground till then, after which the fortunate land owner will take possession! It is built, however, as if they expected it to last for two centuries, and is very magnificent.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY FEMALE SEMINARY.

BOARD OF TEACHERS.

MR. E. D. SHATTUCK, Principal.
MRS. E. D. SHATTUCK, Preceptress, and Teacher of French and Drawing.
MISS R. H. WANDS, Teacher in the Primary Department.

Terms of Tuition per Quarter of Eleven Weeks.

Primary Department, embracing Reading and Spelling — $6 00
Preparatory Department, embracing Arithmetic through the [illegible] Geography, Elementary [illegible] History of the United States and Penmanship — 8 00
Regular Course — 10 00
Incidental charge for fuel, &c. — [illegible]
Music, extra — 15 00
[illegible] of Instrument — [illegible] 00
Ancient Languages, French, Spanish, Drawing and Embroidery, each extra — [illegible]

QUARTERS COMMENCE

Fall — [illegible] Wednesday in September.
Winter — Last Wednesday in November.
Spring — [illegible] day in February.
Summer — [illegible] in May.

Board can be obtained [illegible] Seminary and in families in the vicinity, [illegible] terms.

By order of the Board.
G. H. ATKINSON, President.
Oregon City, Sept. 9, 1853—[illegible]

IRON AND STEEL.

WE are now receiving, direct from New York per Coloma and Ocean Bird, an invoice Iron and Steel, as follows:

593 lbs cast steel 1¼ and ¾ inches
1673 lbs spring steel 4 by ¾ inch
11000 lbs plough steel 12 by ¼ inch
2212 lbs do. do 10 by ¼ inch
4192 lbs. do do 4 by ¼ inch
5948 lbs American iron 2 by [illegible] inch
2500 lbs nail rods.
3500 lbs horse shoe iron 1 by ⅜ and ⅝
[illegible] lbs. Long iron ⅛ to 1 in round
[illegible] lbs Swedes iron ⅜ to 2 inch square
14 600 lbs Swedes iron 1⅜ to 3 inch by ⅜ and ⅝ inch
10,156 lbs English iron 2 by ½ inch
1711 lbs. Swedes iron 1¼ by ½ inch
9 coils wire—8, 11, and 17
6 boxes best charcoal tin plate
14 kegs mule shoes.
10 kegs horse shoes.
10 bags horse shoe nails.
GEO ABERNETHY & CO
Oregon City, August 19, 1853—27tf

A New Resolve.

FROM this date, HARRY CONKLIN wishes to give notice to the public that he has drunken his last drop of liquor in this city. What he now says he means, and what he means he wishes understood by the public generally. For the [illegible] he intends to be right side up with care and no mistake. He makes this solemn declaration to the public as a *fixed fact*. He thinks, yes, he knows it, there is still enough of the man left to make the declaration as firm as the rock of Gibraltar. He now turns a new leaf in life, and henceforth will turn his back upon the *enemy*—ardent spirits. He makes this a matter of record that "he who [illegible] may read." And when there is any *Blacksmithing* to be done he is in for a full share [illegible] in the best manner, on reasonable terms [illegible] the minute. Being a stranger in [illegible] and having but few acquaintances [illegible] that the public may not fully and [illegible] tives and position he takes this [illegible] man who said that he has [illegible] foolishly, which had been earned [illegible] kind of knocks, and from this [illegible] be a decent man and will consider [illegible] any person to give, sell or even offer [illegible] drink. I set myself, in big letters.
HARRY CONKLIN.
Oregon City, Sept 16, 1853—[illegible]

NOTICE.

I HEREBY forbid all persons [illegible] cutting, falling or standing trees up [illegible] Land Claim, situated on the Willamette river [illegible] ately below R[illegible] Moores, and in [illegible] Washington county. And I hereby [illegible] persons [illegible] trespass, or [illegible] I also hereby [illegible] persons trespassing [illegible] aim by trespass [illegible] prosecuted [illegible]
HUGH BURNS.
Multnomah City, Sept [illegible] 1853—31tf

GUNSMITHING.

THE undersigned [illegible] in Oregon City [illegible] door south of the Methodist Parsonage [illegible] to *Make, Fix* and *Repair Guns* and [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] size [illegible] up to [illegible] make and [illegible] the *Gunsmithing Business* as [illegible] complete a [illegible] He will also attend to the [illegible] small machinery [illegible] Charges [illegible]
FERDINAND WIHDI.
O[illegible] [illegible] ber 9, 18[illegible]

Information Wanted.

THE [illegible] information [illegible] M. Mr. [illegible] this method [illegible] great [illegible] or would [illegible]
WM MURPHY.

CAUTION!

[illegible] the public not to credit or [illegible] my wife Laura B[illegible] on my account, as [illegible] and bed and board without any just [illegible] and I will not pay any debt of her contracting.
DAVID CONRAD.
Sept [illegible] 1853—31tf*

More Brick for Sale.

ANOTHER [illegible] kiln has just been made at [illegible] kiln. Better and harder burned *brick* are not to be found in Oregon. I will sell between 50,000 and 100,000 upon the most reasonable terms. I will [illegible] at the kiln or deliver them.
SAMUEL N VANCE.
[illegible] September 2, 1853—29tf

List of Letters.

THE following is the List of Letters remaining in the Post Office at Alcalusheama, at the close of the last quarter.

Lauriung Eggleston — 2
David Laron — 1

Persons calling for any of the above letters are *expressly* requested to say they are advertised.
ISRAEL MITCHELL, P. M.
[illegible] 3,30

U. S. Treasury Warrants

PURCHASED by Adams & Co., Portland, or A. Holbrook, Oregon City.
Oregon City, August 20, 1853—27tf

American Tract Society.

PUBLICATIONS of the American Tract Society may be found at Oregon City.
G. H. ATKINSON, Depository.
sep19

GROCERIES.

THE subscribers [illegible] Ocean Bird an [illegible] comprising the following articles:

171 [illegible] gals
70 ½ bbls crushed do
112 do syrup
98 boxes candles
100 bags salt
20 cases tobacco
109 boxes soap
[illegible] sacks coffee
20 boxes [illegible]
[illegible] ream wrapping paper
20 [illegible]

10 boxes of [illegible]
10 do of [illegible]
20 do saleratus
15 do [illegible]
10 do [illegible]
5 do soda
3 casks [illegible]
10 bbls dried apples
20 boxes cream tartar
6 bags of pepper
[illegible]
6 doz assorted preserves

GEO ABERNETHY & CO
Oregon City, August 19, 1853—27tf

CLOTHING DIRECT FROM NEW YORK

WE have [illegible] per ship [illegible] bound an [illegible] clothing [illegible] for sale now [illegible] ing—
[illegible] pair cotton made pants,
[illegible]
[illegible] cotton [illegible] pants,
[illegible]
[illegible] sack coats
[illegible]
[illegible] coats,
[illegible] coats
[illegible] broad cloth [illegible]
22 [illegible]
41 drab [illegible]
20 green [illegible]
10 mixed [illegible]
10 dozen [illegible]

The attention [illegible]
GEO ABERNETHY & CO
Oregon City, August 1[illegible]

RIGHT SIDE UP—WITH CARE.

CIRCULATE the news [illegible] the hill tops [illegible] ped, is on hand [illegible] he has *CLOCKS*, and [illegible] He can beat the Jews for bargains [illegible] tles can't hold a candle to him. Just think [illegible] six hundred clocks by one shipment! O [illegible] [illegible] outstripped at last! There is to be no more grumbling for the *want of time—tempus fugit*! But quick! Just *again*! Going—going—gone, off to Dayton where [illegible] friends and customers can see the Elephant [illegible]
CRIS TAYLOR.
Dayton, Yamhill co [illegible] 1853—27tf

COLUMBIA HOUSE, AT THE DALLES.

THE undersigned would inform the citizens of Oregon Territory and emigrants that he is prepared to accommodate persons [illegible] with *Board, Lodging*, & [illegible] Please give us a call.
JOHN TOMPKINS.
Dalles, August 26, 1853—31tf*

BRICK FOR SALE.

THE subscriber has for sale, $1000 worth of as good *BRICK* as has ever been burnt in Oregon. His brick yard is situated about two miles east of Oregon City. Brick, hard enough for any purposes, kept constantly on hand.
SAMUEL N VANCE.
Oregon City, August 2[illegible] 1853—28tf

OREGON CITY FOUNDRY.

Thomas V. Smith, Propietor.

WOULD respectfully inform his friends and [illegible] generally that he is now fully prepared [illegible] to do on short notice all kinds of Grist [illegible] Saw mill Work, and make Castings [illegible] *Blacksmithing* done neat [illegible] and *Machinery* general made and repaired.

To persons [illegible] may, at all times [illegible] and Foundry [illegible] Main street [illegible] Laughlin's mill.
Oregon City, August 19, 1853—[illegible]

Information Wanted.

OF Thomas W. Walters, who has been for several years residing in Oregon. He emigrated from Iowa, but is originally from Virginia. It still [illegible] the advertiser would like to hear from him, or [illegible] from some friend of the young man. Address the editor of the Oregon Spectator or the advertiser, G. W. B., New York Herald [illegible] of New York.
New York, April 7, 1853—4w31

Administrator's Notice.

THE subscriber has been appointed administrator of the estate of *Elijah Gibson*, late of Clackamas county, deceased. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims against it, will please present them.
AMORY HOLBROOK, Adm'r.
Oregon City, Sept. 12, 1853—1tf31

SIDEBOARD FOR SALE.

SIDEBOARD, [illegible] new, for sale cheap. Inquire of the Editor of the Spectator.
August 19, 1853—27tf

THE GREAT RENOVATOR.

THE undersigned having located in Oregon City would inform the public that he has a shop two doors east of the City Hotel and immediately opposite the Oregon House, where he carries on the *Tailoring Business*, and attends, in particular, to the *Renovating* and complete restoration of *Worn Clothes* of all kinds which have [illegible] the use of [illegible] grease, or whatever case removed without damage to the cloth. *Clothes* of every description, both for ladies and gentlemen, scoured, cleansed, and repaired in a satisfactory manner. In short, old clothes made new, and cut and made in the latest and most fashionable styles.
THOMAS C. THOMPSON.
Oregon City, September 2, 1853—29tf

TUALATIN ACADEMY.

J. M. KEELER, PRINCIPAL. MRS. S. M. KEELER, PRECEPTRESS.

THIS institution is located in the town of Forest Grove, Tualatin Plains. It is now in its infancy, yet parents and guardians desiring to send to the school may be assured not only of the healthfulness and beauty of the location—the intelligence and morality of the inhabitants, but especially that such teachers will be employed as will make the highest mental and moral improvement of the scholars their chief object.

A spacious and noble Academy building has been erected on the site commanding a view of two extensive Prairies, with their intervening and encircling forests, and which completed will furnish ample accommodations for both departments of the school.

Forest Grove is about equal distant from the towns of St. Helens, Milton, Portland, Milwaukie, Oregon City and Lafayette. The terms of the tuition will commence as follows:

Spring term, the 2d Wednesday in March;
Summer term, the 2d Wednesday in June;
Fall term, 2d Wednesday in September;
Winter term, 1st Wednesday in December.

The terms will be eleven weeks each. Tuition primary studies, $6. Higher [illegible] per term. Board [illegible] obtained [illegible]
G. H. ATKINSON, Sec'y.
April 3, [illegible] 1 27tf

EXPRESS. ADAMS & CO.'S EXPRESS.

[illegible]

WELLS, FARGO & CO.'S EXPRESS.

[illegible]

HAVING [illegible] Pacific [illegible] [illegible] D[illegible] B[illegible] *Packages* [illegible] York, N. Orleans [illegible] principal towns of California and Oregon.

Our regular [illegible] Portland and San Francisco [illegible] Pacific Mail Steamship [illegible] connecting at San Francisco [illegible] ly Express to New York [illegible] is despatched [illegible] month [illegible] own messengers [illegible]

Our Express from New York [illegible] regular on the 5th and 20th [illegible] of [illegible]

Treasure insured [illegible] New York [illegible] panies [illegible] shippers.

Connecting Lines on the Atlantic Side

We connect at New York with the well known [illegible] *Company* running [illegible] Cleveland, [illegible] ledo, Detroit, Chicago [illegible]

The Harde Express [illegible] Boston, Ithaca, Baltimore, Washington, etc.

Pullen, Virgil & Co.'s Vermont and Express. *Davenport, Mason & Co.'s* New ford Express. *Livingston, Wells & Co.'s* European Express. *Wells Fargo & Co.*

OFFICES—New York, No. 16, Wall st.; New Orleans, No. 11 Exchange place; San Francisco, No. 114, Montgomery st.
W. H. BARNHART & CO., Agents.
Portland, O. T., August [illegible] 1853—27tf

ACCOMMODATION LINE, Through to Dalles.

THE [illegible] steamer *FASHION* [illegible] between Portland [illegible] Upper [illegible] *Mary* [illegible] *T* [illegible] Sitaly [illegible] & Co. [illegible] Bradford & Co. [illegible]

INDIAN DIFFICULTY SETTLED.

CASCADES AND DALLES.

THE steamer *ALLAN* [illegible] running [illegible] Cascades and Dalles, leaving [illegible] *Dalles* [illegible] *Mon-day, Wednesday* and *Friday* [illegible] days. Freight taken at reasonable rates. The boats will always be in readiness to transport [illegible] amount of freight between [illegible] [illegible] business [illegible] Cascades [illegible]
JOHN A. SIMMS.
Agent at the Dalles.
Cascades, Au[illegible] 26, 1853 [illegible]

SUMMER ARRANGEMENTS.

STEAMER LOT WHITCOMB.

[illegible] AINSWORTH, MASTER.

WILL [illegible] Monday [illegible] Astoria [illegible] going down [illegible]

Arrangements [illegible] which [illegible] forwarded [illegible] Eagle [illegible] Oregon City [illegible] Passengers [illegible] the Whitcomb will [illegible] Oregon City Mondays and Thursdays [illegible]

The Whitcomb will tow vessels as heretofore. For freight or [illegible] apply to the captain on board [illegible] Bros [illegible]
THOMAS [illegible]

NOTICE.

[illegible]

HAY FOR SALE.

TEN [illegible] tons of H[illegible] [illegible] Inquire of the [illegible]
August 19, 1853 [illegible]

Estrays Taken Up.

TAKEN UP, in the C[illegible] [illegible] three white [illegible] branded with the letter [illegible] [illegible] with white [illegible] brands, both ears cropt [illegible] cow, some white on the back and tail, with both ears cropt [illegible] under bit in the right [illegible] calf [illegible]

The owner can have the above cattle by calling [illegible] Bute Creek, [illegible] Clackamas county.
WILLIAM ELLIOTT.
[illegible]
N. B. [illegible]

OREGON SPECTATOR.

[illegible] Liberty and Success our Exclamation — And Hollister for

[illegible] City (Oregon Territory,) Friday, September 30, 1853 — No. 33

The Crystal Palace

The Uncle Tomitudes

Sub-Marine Blasting.

Burns, Highway Robbery.

[illegible]

Oregon Spectator.

[illegible]

[illegible]riday Morning September 30, 1853

Internal Improvements

The Pacific Railroad.

[illegible]

Correspondence

CITY ORDINANCE No 12

PRESTON, O'NEIL & CO.

Groceries, Provisions, &c.

WM. C. DEMENT,

LEONARD GREEN

Blacksmithing Blacksmithing

PROTECTION.

Stolen or Strayed.

Great Inducements to Printers.

NEW TYPE FOUNDRY

MR HENDEE

RANSOM CLARK

DON'T READ THIS,

Lock Out Lock Out

Shop for Sale

Valuable Real Estate.

TILL NEXT MAIL

A Small Lot of Groceries

Fifty Dollars Reward,

Wheat Wanted.

TO MERCHANTS.

WE invite attention to the very large addition just made to our stock of recent arrivals from New York, and which we offer at prices that are an inducement to merchants to call. Our stock is now large and well assorted

DRY GOOS,

Stoves' Stoves'' Stoves'''

Different kinds of Canemah Plows

To Merchants and others.

DR. D D STEPHENSON

DR W B MAGERS.

GYRNE'S

STORE & CONFECTIONARY

OXEN FOR SALE

ESPECIAL NOTICE!

THE subscriber has just returned from San Francisco on the steamer Columbia, and has brought with him

A LARGE AND GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF

GROCERIES, &C.,

which he offers for sale at the lowest prices, for cash, or in exchange for

1000 [illegible]
1000 lb brown sugar
100 lbs crushed and powdered sugar,
10 bbls [illegible] molasses and syrup,
best quality
American beans,
candles,
oil
[illegible] Fancy Groceries

flannel shirts,
[illegible] and shirts,
drawers
[illegible] coats
to mention
Fresh Oregon
quantity
PRESCOTT,
to Gibson's

ALLAN, M KINLAY & CO.,

all con-
[illegible]
[illegible] iron,
steel,
do
German do
cast do.
the bellows
tools.
almost every
too numerous
the arrival of the
San Francisco which
the undermen-
tioned articles, viz
[illegible] assortment
[illegible] and worst-
[illegible] sizes
Crape — black
[illegible] handkerchiefs
[illegible] pressers
[illegible]
Cinderella's
Misses pumps
[illegible]
large quantity,
adapted for
Indian trade,
[illegible] men's and boy's
[illegible] 1853-27tf

PRESTON, O'NEILL & CO.,

Main st., Oregon City,
[illegible] receiving direct
[illegible] ship "Empress
Hardware Groceries Provisions,
[illegible] &c
[illegible] the following
[illegible] be sold low at
[illegible] refined iron,
[illegible] of bellows, an-
[illegible] and sledge ham-
[illegible] planes, broadaxes,
[illegible] try and steel
[illegible] augers, butts and
[illegible] Rowland's" mill and
[illegible] cut saw files taper
[illegible] 200 boxes glass,
[illegible] sperm and adaman-
New Orleans and crush-
[illegible] and kegs, un-
[illegible] tobacco, coarse and
[illegible] &c
[illegible] an invoice of
[illegible] gentlemen's saddles, bridles
[illegible] and saddle-bags, extra
[illegible] for harness
[illegible] of Lawns, Muslin-
[illegible] and half mourning,) Palm
[illegible] 1853-27tf

JUST RECEIVED,

DIRECT FROM NEW YORK,
[illegible] brightest firmest chis-
[illegible]
[illegible] squares,
[illegible] mers,
[illegible] saws,
[illegible] and mill saws,
[illegible] spades,
[illegible] machines,
[illegible] scythes,
[illegible] cutters
[illegible] Kentucky Rifle
[illegible] THY & CO

[illegible] IAL NOTICE.

LDMEN SOLOMON

[illegible] of this
[illegible] that he is
[illegible] Shaving,
at his shop, 2d
[illegible] M Kinlay's store
[illegible] 1853-29tf

TEAMS WANTED.

[illegible] employ some per-
[illegible] to haul lumber at the
[illegible] constant employment given and
[illegible] paid by
[illegible] JAMES M. MOORE

JUST LEARNY,

A Commodious Young Lady.

JOSEPH N. PRESCOTT,

PEIS TAYLOR.

EL GARDEN HOUSE,

DIRECT FROM NEW YORK

IRON AND STEEL

WELLS, FARGO & CO.'S

ALLAN, [illegible] & CO.,

Hardware &c

Lot Wanted

Notice.

BOARD FOR SALE.

AT THE DALLES

Brick for Sale

Lot of Letter

STEAMER LOT WHITCOMB

SETTLED

A New Revolve

ACADEMY.

HAY FOR SALE.

People and Gee-ding Plows.

American Tract Society.